BEFORE THE POSTAL RATE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

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Docket No. R97-1

RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS DEGEN TO INTERROGATORY OF THE DIRECT MARKETING ASSOCIATION, INC. (DMA/USPS-T12—1)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides the response of witness Degen to the following interrogatory of the Direct Marketing Association, Inc.: DMA/USPS—T12—1, filed on August 27, 1997.

The interrogatory is stated verbatim and is followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

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Response of United States Postal Service Witness Degen to Interrogatories of the Direct Marketing Association, Inc.

DMA/USPS-T12-1. For each FY 1996 clerks and mailhandlers (C/S 3) IOCS tally, please provide the following information in a machine-readable format: (1) the date and day of week of actual reading, (2) actual reading time, (3) MODS work center number, (4) dollar amount assigned by tally, (5) activity code, (6) responses to questions 18 and 19 in CODES, and (7) basic function.

DMA/USPS-T12-1 Response.

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The requested data set has already been filed as part of LR-H-23. The LR-H-23 hardcopy documentation includes the record format and variable descriptions, including CODES value assignments. Please see the source code to program MBC (in LR-H-146), lines 24-26, for the criteria used to identify the tallies associated with Cost Segment 3.

DECLARATION

I, Carl G. Degen, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing answers are true and correct, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Carl G. Degen

Date: 9-9-97

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

Eric P. Koetting

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